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**GW PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FACULTY MEMBERS
WIN PRIZE FOR RESEARCH**

**Professors Jennifer Brinkerhoff and Lori Brainard Honored with
2002 Virginia A. Hodgkinson Research Prize**

WASHINGTON – Jennifer Brinkerhoff and Lori Brainard, assistant professors of public administration at the School of Business and Public Management at The George Washington University, have been honored by the Independent Sector with its 2002 Virginia A. Hodgkinson Research Prize.

The prize is awarded for “outstanding published research that furthers our understanding of philanthropy, voluntary action, nonprofits, and civil society in either the United States or abroad.” It is highly competitive, with nominations from around the world.

The award honors Brinkerhoff’s co-edited special journal issue on “Government-Nonprofit Relations in Comparative Perspective” (Public Administration and Development, Vol. 22, No. 1, 2002), to which Brainard is a contributor. The award included a prize of \$2,000, presented during the closing session of the Independent Sector’s Annual Conference in Cleveland, Ohio, on October 29.

GW’s public affairs program, which encompasses disciplines in public administration in the School of Business and Public Management and public policy in the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences and Elliott School of International Affairs, was ranked 19th in the April 2002 *U.S. News and World Report*.

Recipients of the Virginia A. Hodgkinson Research Prize are researchers and practitioners who work in or with the voluntary sector and through their work have achieved local, regional, national, or international impact and recognition. The Hodgkinson Research Prize was established in 1985 and is sponsored by an anonymous donor and *The NonProfit Times*.

**For more information on the prize, visit
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**SAVE ZIMBABWE: OPPOSITION LEADERS CALL ON THE INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNITY TO HELP RESTORE DEMOCRACY
NOVEMBER 12**

EVENT: The George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs will host representatives from Zimbabwe's *Shadow Government* and the *Save Zimbabwe* campaign to discuss the critical need for the immediate restoration of democracy in Zimbabwe.

SPEAKERS:

- **Ephraim Tapa**, chief spokesperson for *Save Zimbabwe* campaign, former president, Civil Service Employees Union and a prominent civic leader and outspoken critic of the Mugabe regime;
- **Moses Mzila Ndlovu**, Shadow foreign minister;
- **David Coltart**, Shadow justice minister in the Zimbabwe Parliament and senior partner with Webb Low and Barry, Legal Practitioners; and
- **Arnold Tsunga**, national chairman, Zim Rights.

WHEN: Tuesday, November 12, 2002
2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Marvin Center, 3rd floor Amphitheater
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C.

COST: This event is free and open to the public.

Background:

Leading opponents of Robert Mugabe's regime in Zimbabwe will visit Washington, D.C. to draw attention to a massive and preventable humanitarian disaster facing millions of their country's citizens. The mission, organized by the international *Save Zimbabwe* campaign is additionally seeking the help of the international community in restoring human rights and legitimate government in their country. They are also calling on Washington to encourage African nations to exercise the commitments to mutual accountability for good governance inherent in The New Partnership for Africa's Development initiative.

Members of the mission will discuss the situation on the ground in Zimbabwe, their personal experiences at the hands of Mugabe's forces, and their plan for restoring democracy and rule of law to the country.

The *Save Zimbabwe* campaign's non-partisan position calls for fresh presidential elections to be held as a matter of urgency, under international supervision, and free from the corruption, violence and intimidation, which sabotaged the country's recent presidential elections.

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**GW'S DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DANCE PRESENTS *DANCEWORKS*
NOVEMBER 20-23**

- EVENT:** The George Washington University Department of Theatre and Dance presents *Danceworks* – a concert featuring choreography from GW students, faculty and guest artists – directed by GW Dance Professor Dana Tai Soon Burgess.
- WHEN:** Preview: Wednesday, November 20, 7:30 p.m.
Performances: Thursday, November 21 – Saturday, November 23, 7:30 p.m.
- WHERE:** The George Washington University
Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre, Marvin Center
800 21st Street, NW, Washington, D.C.
- COST:** \$8 – GW Students
\$10 – General Admission
Tickets available at all Ticketmaster outlets, call 202-432-SEAT (7328).
GW's Ticketmaster is located on the ground floor of the Marvin Center.

Background:

Danceworks will feature choreography from:

- **Daniela Wancier**, GW Senior – *Transfiguration #1: Arrangement in glass, sculpture and painting*. Wancier is a Presidential Arts Scholar in dance, double majoring in art history and dance.
- **Laurel Grey**, GW faculty – Performing an Islamic dance, the Egyptian raqs sharqui. Grey currently teaches weekly classes at the Joy of Motion Dance Center and a course on dances of the Islamic world at GW.
- **Neil Greenberg**, GW Department of Theatre & Dance guest artist – *Construction 2: Autobiography*. Greenberg has received a Guggenheim Fellowship and a New York Dance and Performance Award (“Bessie”), as well as choreographer’s fellowships from the Foundation for Contemporary Performance Art, the New York Foundation for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.
- **Tracy Marion**, GW visiting student – *Common Ground*. Marion is a senior dance major from Smith College in Massachusetts, who has conducted workshops and classes at private academies in Western Massachusetts and schools throughout northern Ohio.
- **Anthony Gongora**, GW adjunct faculty – *I Want to Want I Want to Have*. Gongora has received choreographic awards from Chicago Arts Council, Chicago Council of Fine Arts, Unicorn Foundation and the Asheville Arts Alliance.
- **Tommy Parlon**, GW adjunct faculty – *Rail*. Parlon’s choreography is produced throughout the United States. He is the Artistic Associate of Ground Zero Dance in Richmond, VA and performs with City Dance Ensemble in Washington.

**For more information please visit www.gwu.edu/~theatre, call (202) 994-6178
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**GW GELMAN LIBRARY'S AFRICANA RESEARCH CENTER TO HOST
ART OF THE NEGRO SPIRITUAL CONCERT
NOVEMBER 14**

Fundraiser Sponsored by the Friends of GW Libraries, Benefits the Gelman Library Africana Research Center and The Art of the Negro Spiritual Research Project

- EVENT:** Soprano Randye Jones and pianist Francis Conlon will perform works by Jackson King, J.R. Johnson, Boatner, Burleigh, H. Johnson, Carter, Perry, Smith, Bonds, Corley, Smith Moore, Still, Hayes and Dett at *The Art of the Negro Spiritual* concert. The concert and reception are sponsored by the Friends of the GW Libraries, and will benefit the Africana Research Center at The Gelman Library and The Art of the Negro Spiritual Research Project.
- WHEN:** Thursday, November 14, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** Western Presbyterian Church
2401 Virginia Ave., NW
Washington D.C.
- COST:** \$25 – General admission
\$20 – Seniors and GW staff
Free – GW students
Call (202) 994-6455 for more information.

Background:

The Africana Research Center at The Gelman Library builds on a long history of collecting Washington, D.C. resources at The George Washington University. The Center's resources, facilities, programs and exhibits support research for scholars interested in the Washington, D.C. African-American experience, particularly the University's growing Africana program and those researching and documenting African-American History. The Center provides a focal point for collection development and management, reference services, outreach, fundraising and donor relations.

The Art of the Negro Spiritual Research Project examines the rich historical and performance aspects of the Negro Spiritual as set into art song form. The results will be published as a book with an accompanying recording of selected spirituals performed by the researcher, soprano Randye Jones.

For more information about the Africana Research Center, visit www.gwu.edu/gelman/spec/arc or call Francine I. Henderson, Africana Research Center Curator at (202) 994-1363.

For more information on The Art of the Negro Spiritual Research Project, visit www.artofthenegrospiritual.com.

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**GW APPOINTS JOAN OZDOGAN AS
ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR AT VIRGINIA CAMPUS**

**Former Inova Executive Responsible for Creating
Development Programs to Spur Growth of Programs**

ASHBURN, VA – The George Washington University today announced the appointment of Joan Kelly Ozdogan, as director of advancement at GW's Virginia Campus in Ashburn, Va. This new position was created to promote strategic partnerships to enable the University to achieve its expansion of programs at the Virginia Campus.

Ozdogan, who brings more than 20 years of local and national advancement experience, is responsible for directing strategies to increase corporate, foundation and alumni philanthropic support and investments in education and research on the Virginia Campus.

"This is a pivotal period of growth for the Virginia Campus," said Beverly Bond, vice president of advancement at The George Washington University. "The Virginia Campus has become GW's flagship research and technology campus, and is poised to dramatically expand its executive education for the Northern Virginia market and its leading-edge research in transportation safety and security, IT and telecommunications. Joan's extensive experience working hand-in-hand with the Northern Virginia business community and foundations will help the campus build relationships that leverage its successes and help take the campus to the next level of growth."

Ozdogan joins GW from Inova Health System, where she served as director of community health resource development and director of corporate philanthropy and partnerships. At Inova, Ozdogan stewarded a comprehensive major gift development program targeting national and regional corporations and foundations. Her experience in higher education includes a stint at the national headquarters of the United Negro College Fund in Fairfax, Va. On the local level, Ozdogan directed the Fairfax-Falls Church United Way for 15 years, where she raised more than \$49 million in support of health and human service programs serving the Northern Virginia area.

A GW alumna, Ozdogan earned a master's of art in special studies in social and organizational behavior and bachelors' degrees in psychology and fine arts. As an active community volunteer and a member of the board of directors of the Laurel Grove School Association, she is committed to preserving the Laurel Grove School House located in Franconia, Va., as a living museum and educational center. Built by four former slaves in 1884, this single room schoolhouse served the first generation born to freedom in Fairfax County until the 1930s.

Ozdogan joins the Virginia Campus management team at a time of expansive growth. In 2002, the University launched several large-scale growth initiatives at the Virginia Campus. In January, the University doubled the size of the campus to 90 acres with the acquisition of 40 acres along Route 7, which included a 204,000-square-foot facility previously owned by PSINet as its corporate headquarters. In addition, construction is well underway for a new 72,000 square-foot facility to house the National Transportation Safety Board's International Academy, scheduled to open next summer.

"Joan's appointment is an important step toward positioning the campus to realize its vision to become a world-class center of academic and research collaboration," said John S. Wilson, executive dean of the Virginia Campus. "With Joan's help, we hope to enhance our mutually beneficial corporate and community relations, and attract more investments from our key partners."

Conveniently located in the Northern Virginia technology corridor near Dulles International Airport, the GW Virginia Campus is the University's Research and Technology Campus. The 90-acre campus houses a robust cluster of executive education and technology programs and world-class research initiatives in transportation safety and security, information technology and telecommunications. Since opening in August 1991, the campus has increased its student base by 15% and grown annual research funding from \$50,000 to more than \$7 million.

**For information on the GW Virginia Campus, visit www.gwvirginia.gwu.edu.
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GW/NASA RESEARCHERS FIND DIRECT EVIDENCE OF NEW TYPE OF STAR

GW Physics Doctoral Student Confirms Magnetar with Extreme Magnetic Field

WASHINGTON - Astrophysicists, in an international collaboration led by scientists at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center and The George Washington University, are now confident that a new type of star exists. For the first time, these scientists were able to spot protons switching gears while revolving in a record-high magnetic field near a special kind of neutron star called a magnetar. This star now holds the title for having the most powerful large-scale magnetic field yet detected in the Universe.

With NASA's Rossi X-ray Timing Explorer satellite, physics doctoral candidate Alaa Ibrahim of GW (under the direction of Dr. Jean Swank at NASA and Professor William Parke, Chair of the GW Physics Department) observed bright flashes of gamma-rays from a cosmic object known as SGR 1806-20. Ibrahim led the team in identifying a proton imprint at five thousand electron volts. The results are published in two articles in the *Astrophysical Journal Letters*.

The proton signature allowed the team to make an unprecedented direct measurement of the magnetar's magnetic field, revealing a record-high million-billion Gauss. (In physics, a Gauss is the unit of measurement for magnetic field strength). By contrast, the Earth's magnetic field is only about half a Gauss.

"If such an object with that field were located at the moon's distance from the Earth, it could erase our credit cards," said Ibrahim. "Luckily, SGR 1806-20 is a relatively safe 50,000 light-years from Earth. [A light-year is the distance light goes traveling for a whole year, approximately six trillion miles.] We now have methods of probing such bodies from afar to learn about the physics of matter under extreme gravitational and magnetic forces."

Neutron stars are born as remnants of supernova explosions. "When stars bigger in mass than our Sun run out of fuel, their interior can collapse, perhaps leaving a compact sphere about the size of Washington, D.C., but the mass of the Sun," said Parke. "Using the instruments placed by NASA into Earth orbit, we are now able to see signatures of materials near a neutron star's surface, and thereby understand the behavior of matter under very exotic conditions not found on Earth."

SGR 1806-20 is one of a small group of magnetars whose eruptions are powered by magnetic disturbances. Like earthquakes, a magnetic-driven starquake causes the magnetar's solid crust to crack and eject protons and other plasma particles that become trapped in the intense magnetic field. The trapped plasma can radiate the gamma-ray flashes producing the "bursts" seen on Earth. The radiation from these distant bursts can be so intense that it affects even the Earth's atmosphere, causing momentary disruption in radio transmission and communication.

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GW LAW SCHOOL'S IMMIGRATION CLINIC WINS FREEDOM FOR MAN WRONGFULLY DETAINED BY INS

WASHINGTON – The George Washington University Law School's Immigration Clinic has won freedom for a man wrongfully detained by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS).

"This case was unusual in several ways," said Alberto Benítez, professor of clinical law and director of the Immigration Clinic. "It highlighted the harsher aspects of the Immigration and Nationality Act and took much longer to resolve because the circumstances were so unique."

Born in Austria in 1956 of an Austrian mother and an U.S. serviceman, the client (whose name, for reasons of privacy, was not released) was relinquished to an orphanage in Salzburg in 1957. In 1962 a couple from Washington, D.C., adopted the boy through an organization specializing in the placement of war-time babies. At the age of six he was admitted to the U.S. as a lawful permanent resident.

"Soon after he arrived, however, the couple placed him in foster care as they were unable to care for him," explained Benítez. "He was then bounced from family to family during the remainder of his youth and was never naturalized to U.S. citizenship."

The client joined the U.S. Army in 1974 at the age of 18 and was honorably discharged in 1979. In 1993 he was convicted of attempted robbery without a weapon and sentenced to 18 months in prison. He was later convicted of robbery and attempted robbery in 1995 and sentenced to four to 12 years in prison. The INS initiated removal proceedings in 1997 based on these convictions with plans to return him to Austria and immediately detained him upon his parole in 2001.

The clinic began work on the case in October of 1998, along two tracks. One, to persuade the Austrian government that the client was no longer a citizen there. And second, to get the client released from INS detention. In 2001 the U.S. Supreme Court issued a decision requiring the INS to remove aliens with final removal orders or to release them if removal could not be carried out.

"Through the work of many clinical students we were able to prove that our client had relinquished his Austrian citizenship by volunteering for the U.S. Army," said Benítez. "This prevented the INS from sending him to Austria and from detaining him any longer."

On October 4, 2002, four years after the Clinic became involved, the client was released from INS custody. "Such a positive outcome would have been impossible without the skill, dedication, and talent of our clinical students Akin Alcitepe ('99), Candy Caballero ('00), Sharan Nirmul ('01), and Jennifer Chung ('98)," said Benítez. "They handled all of the complicated lawyering tasks – research, writing, court appearances and more. Their lawyering is a model for law students and lawyers everywhere."

GW's Immigration Clinic has provided legal representation to aliens in the D.C. metropolitan area since 1979. All of the programs in GW's Community Legal Clinics share a common goal — to provide members of the community with critically needed legal services while giving motivated law students the opportunity to experience the practical application of law and to develop skills as negotiators, advocates, and litigators within an exciting and supportive educational environment.

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**GW PROFESSOR KENNETH R. BOWLING TO DISCUSS NEW BOOK, *PETER CHARLES L'ENFANT: VISION, HONOR AND MALE FRIENDSHIP IN THE EARLY AMERICAN REPUBLIC*
NOVEMBER 19**

**Publication and Lecture Commemorates 30th Anniversary of the
Friends of the GW Libraries**

- EVENT:** Kenneth R. Bowling, adjunct associate professor of history at The George Washington University, will speak about his new book *Peter Charles L'Enfant: Vision, Honor and Male Friendship in the Early American Republic*.
- WHEN:** Tuesday, November 19, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** The George Washington University
Gelman Library
2130 H Street, NW, Room 202
Washington, D.C.
- COST:** The event is free. Copies of the book will be on sale at the event for \$25. Call (202) 994-6455 for more information.

Background:

The Friends of the GW Libraries published Professor Bowling's book in commemoration of their 30th anniversary at GW. This richly illustrated biography of the French-born American Peter L'Enfant is the first to look at its subject from the perspective of his times and contemporaries. It focuses on the years before and after his famous plan for the city of Washington and on his relationships with such male friends and patrons as George Washington (whom L'Enfant made grovel), Alexander Hamilton (whom L'Enfant challenged to a duel), the Swedish Consul Richard Soderstrom (whom L'Enfant lost everything to in a "palimony" suit), and the retired spy Thomas Atwood Digges (in whose home L'Enfant at last found sanctuary). The book concludes with L'Enfant's resurrection and reburial at the turn of the 20th Century as a Frenchman named Pierre Charles L'Enfant and with the role those events played in bringing the United States into World War I on the side of France rather than Germany.

Through volunteer library work and generous financial contributions, the Friends of the GW Libraries support, promote and enhance scholarly innovations in academic research and teaching in GW's five libraries and throughout the GW community.

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**GW TO HOST REGIONAL ACM INTERNATIONAL COLLEGIATE
PROGRAMMING CONTEST
NOVEMBER 16**

**Sixteen Teams From Nine Local Colleges and Universities To Test
Computer Programming Skills at GW**

- EVENT:** Sixteen teams from nine local colleges and universities compete in the Mid-Atlantic regional competition of the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest, held at The George Washington University.
- WHEN:** Saturday, November 16, 2002
Registration & Orientation: 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; Competition: Noon – 5:00 p.m.;
Awards Presentation: 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** The George Washington University
Marvin Center
800 21st Street, NW, Rooms 308, 309, 310
Washington, D.C.

Background:

The 2002-2003 ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest is expected to draw more than 17,000 college participants from 67 countries around the world. The contest features teams of three students, usually two undergraduates and one graduate, racing to solve six to eight real-world programming challenges within five hours. Contestants will complete the equivalent of a semester's worth of computer programming in one afternoon. Sixty-four regional championship teams from around the world will be crowned, based on the speed and accuracy of their programming. Those teams will meet at the World Finals in Los Angeles from March 22-26, 2003, and compete for scholarships and prizes.

The GW competitors are:

Team 000 – Justin Cutler (Graduate student, Computer Science); Eric Denman (Junior, Computer Science); Justin Cohen (Junior, Computer Science).

Team 001 – Matt Norris (Graduate student, Computer Science); Sean Hanlon (Senior, Computer Science); Herve Roussel (Senior, Computer Science).

Team 010 – Ali Ahmadi (Graduate student, Computer Science); Allison Alvarez (Senior, Computer Science/Japanese); Neal Rosen (Senior, Computer Science).

Team 011 – Ravjot Pasricha (Junior, Computer Science); Kunal Johar (Freshman, Computer Science); Eric Shmelzer (Freshman, Computer Science).

The GW teams are coached by Robert Lindeman, GW associate professor of computer science.

For more information on the competition and computer science at GW, visit www.cs.gwu.edu.

For more information on the AMC International Collegiate Programming Contest, visit www.acm.org/contest.

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**GW UNIVERSITY CLUB TO HOST PANEL DISCUSSION ON
“MODERNITY AND ISLAM: EXPERIENCES OF TURKISH WOMEN”
NOVEMBER 20**

EVENT: “Modernity and Islam: Experiences of Turkish Women,” a panel of Islam and Turkish experts discussing the evolution of women’s roles and rights in modern Turkey, with special emphasis on the sweeping reforms of Turkey’s founder Kemal Ataturk in the 1920s and 1930s that directly impacted the status of women in the country. This event is sponsored by The George Washington University Club. The panel will also cover Turkey’s experience in blending women’s rights with a majority Muslim society and a secular and democratic government. A reception with hors d’oeuvres and refreshments will follow.

SPEAKERS:

Oya Bain – capital region vice president of the Assembly of Turkish American Associations and moderator of program;
Zeyno Baran – fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and recipient of the Firestone Medal for his 1996 thesis on the compatibility of Islam and democracy;
Engin Inel Holmstrom – an author with more than 50 publications on higher education issues and women’s rights;
Filiz Odabas-Geldiay – vice president of the Ataturk Society of America; and
Guler Koknar – executive director of the Assembly of Turkish American Associations.

WHEN: Wednesday, November 20, 2002
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University Club
1918 F Street, NW
Washington, D.C.

COST: \$15.95 per person for members, \$19.95 per person for non-members. Valet parking is available at \$5.00.

Background:

The George Washington University Club is a member-supported club located in historic Foggy Bottom. In 1999, the University Club moved to its new home at 1915 F Street, NW. Housed in a duo of original pre-civil war town homes, the Club features an elegant dining room, pub, lounge, and library.

Seating is limited and reservations are required. Please call Angela Seward at (202) 994-9559 for more information or to make reservations.

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**GW SHAPIRO PROFESSOR LEON FUERTH TO DISCUSS HOW TO PREPARE FOR
NEW THREATS AND THE FUTURE OF U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY
NOVEMBER 21**

EVENT: “Networking and the Future of Democracy: Mastering the Future Before it Masters Us,” the Shapiro lecture by Leon Fuerth, J.B. and Maurice C. Shapiro Professor of International Affairs. He will discuss U.S. foreign policy and how to deal with new threats to our national security. This event is hosted by The George Washington University’s Elliott School of International Affairs.

WHEN: Thursday, November 21
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Marvin Center Amphitheater, 3rd Floor
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C.

COST: The lecture is free and open to the public.

Background:

Leon Fuerth has long been concerned about the numerous security threats that endanger our country and the world. From his perspective, not only are we knee deep into these “new” problems, current and looming security threats will carry us towards a new wave of pressures and shocks. Fuerth will discuss his ideas about how we can anticipate and be more prepared for what our not too distant future will bring.

Leon Fuerth plays an important role as a commentator on national security policy. He often writes op-ed articles for *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*, and appears on major television network news programs. He served as national security advisor for Vice President Al Gore and in that capacity was a member of the Principals’ committee of the National Security Council where he dealt with the many challenges to national security. Fuerth recognized that although there are many known threats - such as pandemics like HIV/AIDS, antibiotic resistant tuberculosis; malaria; or global environmental disruption and trans-national crimes - there are also many unknown or unforeseen threats that require imagination and educated speculation to identify. He continues to work on a strategy called “Forward Engagement” to deal with these known and unknown problems.

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**FROM THE CLASSROOM TO CONGRESS: GW POLITICAL MANAGEMENT
PROFESSOR TOM COLE ELECTED TO CONGRESS**

WASHINGTON – Tom Cole, an adjunct professor in The George Washington University Graduate School of Political Management (GSPM), has turned his teachings into action as he won Oklahoma's 4th congressional seat, which was previously occupied by GOP Conference Chairman J.C. Watts. Cole served at GSPM as the Fahrenkopf/Manatt Professorial Lecturer for a class called "Political Parties and Politics." The endowed lectureship is named for Frank J. Fahrenkopf Jr., Esq., former RNC chairman, and Ambassador Charles T. Manatt, former chairman of the DNC, U.S. Ambassador to the Dominican Republic and current chairman of The George Washington University Board of Trustees.

"Professor Cole sets a great example to our students by using his practical experience as a springboard to public service," said GSPM Dean Christopher Arterton. "His success raises the bar of commitment to a career in politics and public service."

Cole, a former chief of staff to the Republican National Committee, had co-taught his class with fellow GSPM adjunct professor and former chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Don Fowler. The class focused on the functions, psychology, voting behavior, composition and operations of political parties.

"I'm pleased that we prevailed," said Cole. "No one could replace J.C., but someone needed to succeed him who shares our conservative values and who can be immediately effective in Congress and in working with the Bush Administration."

"I hope this a precedent of things to come," said Arterton. "Our professors are at the top of their respective fields and instill in our students the political drive and practical skills necessary to succeed in politics."

The Graduate School of Political Management faculty represents the broad diversity of political professionals who are leaders in the field of political management.

The Graduate School of Political Management of The George Washington University is the Nation's premier school of professional politics. Hailed by *The New York Times* as "the West Point of the political wars," the school is at the forefront of establishing the foundation for long-term solutions to the problems of American democracy by advancing both the professional expertise of those in politics and the analytical science of democratic politics.

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**GW SHAPIRO FELLOW AND FORMER NBC CORRESPONDENT JOHN DANCY
TO DISCUSS GLOBAL EFFECTS OF COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY
NOVEMBER 20**

EVENT: "The Death of Distance: Terrorism, Broadband and Choice In The Next 25 Years," a conversation with John Dancy, Emmy Award-winning former NBC correspondent and The George Washington University School of Media and Public Affairs' J.B. and Maurice C. Shapiro Fellow.

WHEN: Wednesday, November 20, 2002
4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Marvin Center
Room 307
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C.

BACKGROUND:

In his 30-year career at NBC News, Dancy covered every major beat in Washington and served twice as a foreign correspondent. Dancy was a senior White House reporter during the Carter administration, Congressional correspondent during the Reagan years, and chief diplomatic correspondent during the Bush administration. While covering the U.S. Congress, Dancy reported on the Iran-Contra hearings. He also anchored "NBC Nightly News," "NBC News at Sunrise" and "Meet the Press."

Retiring from NBC in 1996, Dancy was named a fellow at Harvard University's Joan Shorenstein Center for Press, Politics and Public Policy. He also served in the Department of Defense as a senior advisor to the National Security Commission/21st Century, which was chartered by the Secretary of Defense and supported by both the White House and the Congress. The Commission delivers a security strategy and implementation plan designed to meet the emerging challenges of the 21st century.

Dancy received the Alfred I. DuPont-Columbia University Award for Excellence in Broadcast Journalism, the Overseas Press Club's Citation for Excellence, the Janus Award for business reporting, four national Emmys, and was the first television correspondent to receive the prestigious Everett McKinley Dirksen Award for coverage of Congress.

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**GW's HAMILTON FISH INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES PREMIERE ISSUE OF SCHOOL
VIOLENCE PREVENTION NEWSLETTER**

**Publication to Provide Updates on Research and Information for Teachers, Administrators,
Members of School Boards and Parents**

WASHINGTON – The George Washington University's Hamilton Fish National Institute on School and Community Violence (HFI) announces the release of the premiere issue of its quarterly newsletter, *The Bulletin*, which went into circulation on Monday, November 18.

The Bulletin is written for teachers, administrators, members of school boards and parents. The publication includes updates on work being done by HFI, information on school violence prevention, tips for teachers and suggestions for books and Web sites for those interested in reducing violence in schools. The premiere issue features an article on school liability. It is part one of a four-part "Legal Primer" for teachers and administrators who often have to walk a fine line between ensuring the safety of all students and respecting each student's right to privacy.

"*The Bulletin* represents the first of several new outreach efforts planned for the institute," said Beverly Glenn, who was named executive director of the Institute in October and has hit the ground running with an aggressive plan to provide leadership and information on school violence prevention. "There is often a void in communication between researchers and schools. We are dedicated to closing that gap."

The Bulletin is available for download or browsing online at HFI's Web site at www.hamfish.org. Those interested in receiving future issues also may register on the institute's Web site.

The Hamilton Fish National Institute on School and Community Violence, is housed in The George Washington University's Graduate School of Education and Human Development and works with a consortium of seven universities whose key staff have expertise in adolescent violence, criminology, law enforcement, substance abuse, juvenile justice, gangs, public health, education, behavior disorders, social skills development and prevention programs.

HFI was founded in 1997 with assistance from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs and the U.S. Department of Justice to rigorously research, develop and evaluate violence prevention strategies for schools and their communities.

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**GW AWARDED \$122,250 GRANT
FROM MICROSOFT BUSINESS SOLUTIONS**

**School of Business and Public Management to Receive Software,
Technical Support and Training**

WASHINGTON – Thanks to a \$122,250 grant from Microsoft Business Solutions, cutting-edge business software will soon be used by students in accounting courses at The George Washington University School of Business and Public Administration (SBPM).

The grant was provided through the Microsoft Business Solutions Education Alliance Network program, which enables colleges and universities to provide business management software as a key component of accounting curricula. Microsoft Business Solutions has donated Dynamics software, technical support and training valued at \$122,250.

“This grant will enable us to further improve the classroom experience for our students and better prepare them for a career in which technology and advanced analytical tools are increasingly the norm,” said SBPM Dean Susan Phillips. “It will enable GW students to have a stronger edge in the job market.”

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**GW EXECUTIVE BUSINESS PROGRAM TO HOLD
EXECUTIVE MBA TEST DRIVE AT VIRGINIA CAMPUS
DECEMBER 7**

Prospective Students Introduced to Key Faculty and Program Benefits

EVENT: “**EMBA Test Drive**,” a one-day seminar designed to allow prospective students to experience The George Washington University’s Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) program. Participants will meet current students and alumni and take a “road test” of the EMBA program by attending sessions on the latest hot topics in business management – including accounting/finance, negotiation, leadership, technology and career planning – taught by top GW business faculty.

Speakers include:

Robert Dyer, professor and director of the GW EMBA program

Larry Singleton, associate professor of accounting

James Bailey, associate professor of management science

Richard Donnelly, associate professor of management science

William Halal, professor of management science

Hildy Teegen, associate professor of international business

AGENDA: Saturday, December 7

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.	Registration, Continental Breakfast, Campus Tour
9:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Welcome and Program Kick-Off (Dyer)
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.	<i>The Accounting Treasure Hunt</i> (Singleton)
11:15 a.m. – Noon	<i>Great Individuals and Their Environments Revisited</i> (Bailey)
Noon – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch and Networking Discussions
	<i>Launching a New Technological Venture</i> (Donnelly moderator)
1:15 – 1:45 p.m.	<i>Forecast of Emerging Technologies and the Internet Forecast</i> (Halal)
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.	<i>An International Negotiations Simulation</i> (Teegen)
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Program wrap-up (Dyer)

WHERE: GW Virginia Campus, 20101 Academic Way
Ashburn, Virginia (at University Center, Route 7, one mile west of Route 28)

COST: Free and open to anyone considering enrolling in the EMBA program. Participants may register for a half-day or the full day online at www.gwemba.org. For more information call (703) 726-8282.

Background:

In today's highly competitive business environment, The George Washington University Executive MBA provides a competitive advantage to experienced managers and professionals. Participants earn the MBA in 21 months, while continuing to serve their organizations. Class sessions are held on alternating Fridays and Saturdays and in three week-long residencies and a two-week international residency.

Conveniently located in the Northern Virginia technology corridor near Dulles International Airport, the GW Virginia Campus is the University's Research and Technology Campus. The 90-acre campus is a robust cluster of executive education and technology programs and world-class research initiatives in transportation safety and security, information technology and telecommunications. Since opening in August 1991, the campus has experienced a tenfold increase in its students base and grown annual research funding from \$50,000 to more than \$7 million.

For information on the EMBA Test Drive, visit www.gwemba.org or call (703) 726-8282.

For information on the GW Virginia Campus, visit www.gwvirginia.gwu.edu.

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GW's JAMES A. MILLER NAMED PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR

Miller Recognized as Top Professor in District of Columbia by Council for Advancement and Support of Education

WASHINGTON – James A. Miller, professor of English and American studies at The George Washington University, was named The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) **2002 District of Columbia Professor of the Year** in a ceremony today at the National Press Club. This is the fourth time since 1995 that a GW professor has won the award.

"I am certainly honored and delighted to have been selected for this award," said Miller, who takes pride in engaging his students in class and enjoys the relationships he builds with them. "Indeed, this is a special recognition because it comes from colleagues and students."

Criteria for Professor of the Year winners includes extraordinary dedication to undergraduate teaching demonstrated by: impact on and involvement with undergraduate students; scholarly approach to teaching and learning; contribution to undergraduate education in the institution, community and profession; and support from colleagues and current and former undergraduate students. This year, CASE named Professor of the Year winners in 45 states and the District of Columbia.

Previous GW winners include: **Jarol Manheim**, professor of political communication and political science, 1995; **James Oliver Horton**, professor of history and American studies, 1996; and **Gerald Feldman**, associate professor of physics, 2001. All four CASE winners are faculty in GW's Columbian College of Arts and Sciences.

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching was founded in 1905 by Andrew Carnegie, "to do all things necessary to encourage, uphold and dignify the profession of teaching." The foundation is the only advanced study center for teachers in the world and the third oldest foundation in the nation. Its nonprofit research activities are produced by a small group of distinguished scholars.

The Council for Advancement and Support of Education is the largest international association of educational institutions, with more than 3,000 colleges, universities and independent elementary and secondary schools in 49 countries, including the United States, Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom. Representing these institutions are more than 38,000 professionals in the disciplines of alumni relations, communications and fund raising. Additional affiliates include educationally related nonprofit organizations and commercial firms.

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**GW MPA STUDENT NAMED
BEST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION STUDENT IN 2002**

WASHINGTON – Thomas A. Bryer, a Master of Public Administration (MPA) student at The George Washington University School of Business and Public Management, will be honored by the National Academy for Public Administration (NAPA) with its Herbert Roback Scholarship Award for the Best Public Administration Student in 2002. NAPA will present Bryer with the award and a scholarship on November 23 at its annual meeting.

"Not only is Tom an outstanding student, but he is especially remarkable due to his activism in getting young adults civically engaged in society," said Kathryn Newcomer, chair and professor in the Department of Public Administration. "He somehow finds room in his schedule after work and after school to devote himself to the nonprofit he started to increase civic engagement."

Bryer founded and serves as executive director for Reform America, Inc., which is committed to developing the leadership skills of young Americans while engaging the American people in an effort to improve our democracy and democratic institutions – voting systems, ballot access restrictions, candidate debate regulations and e-democracy. He intends to eventually earn a doctorate and work in state government. He also works at the Council for Excellence in Government and attends school full-time, studying policy analysis and program evaluation in GW's MPA program.

Bryer said he was surprised to earn the award. "My expectation was that I was not going to receive it, because a GW student was the recipient of the award within the past two years." Nelda Brown, then a GW MPA student, won the award in 2000.

GW's public affairs program, which encompasses disciplines in public administration in the School of Business and Public Management and public policy in the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences and Elliott School of International Affairs, was ranked 19th in the April 2002 *U.S. News & World Report* issue that rates graduate programs in several categories.

The Herbert Roback Memorial Scholarship is presented annually to a graduate student currently enrolled, or admitted for enrollment, in a full-time master's degree program in public administration, public and international affairs, and/or political science. The late Herbert Roback was a highly respected public servant. During his career, he became involved in encouraging talented and promising students to consider lifetime careers in the public service. To honor Mr. Roback, his family and friends established the fund to perpetuate his work.

The National Academy of Public Administration is an independent, nonprofit organization chartered by Congress to improve governance at all levels – local, regional, state, national and international. The academy's membership consists of 500 fellows with distinguished careers in public management as practitioners, scholars and civic leaders. Since its establishment in 1967, the academy has assisted hundreds of federal agencies, congressional committees, state and local governments, civic organizations and institutions overseas.

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**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE AND MATH STUDENTS:
WHERE CAN YOUR SUMMER JOB TAKE YOU?**

**GW/DoD Science and Engineering Apprentice Program Brings Qualified High School Students into
Government Laboratories to Assist With Research**

WHAT: Science and Engineering Apprentice Program (SEAP) for high school students, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) and The George Washington University's Science and Engineering Apprentice Program.

WHEN: Apprenticeship: June 23 - August 15, 2003

DEADLINE: APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 30, 2003

WHERE: Participating government laboratories in the National Capital Area and nationwide

Background:

The DoD sponsored, GW administered SEAP provides students experience and exposure to the world of scientific research. SEAP places academically talented high school-age apprentices, who are U.S. citizens with interest and ability in science and mathematics, in DoD laboratories for eight continuous weeks during the summer. These students work with scientists and engineers at a participating laboratory who act as mentors. The program offers students a unique and positive experience in their fields of interest, thus encouraging them to pursue careers in science and engineering. Students receive an educational award of \$1,400 for the eight-week experience.

Interested students should contact their science/math teacher or guidance department for an application form, or apply on-line at www.gwseap.net.

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For more information about the SEAP, visit www.gwseap.net or call (202) 994-2234.

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**ARE SOCIAL SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD BREAKING DOWN?
DECEMBER 4**

**Leading Canadian Political Scientist and Author Thomas Homer-Dixon to Discuss
“Synchronous Failure” at GW Elliott School Lecture**

EVENT: “Synchronous Failure: The Real Danger of the 21st Century,” presented by leading Canadian political scientist and author Thomas Homer-Dixon, as part of The George Washington University’s Elliott School of International Affairs Robert J. Pelosky, Jr. Distinguished Speaker Series.

Homer-Dixon will discuss the monumental challenges to our institutions and governments and how these threats combined with the interconnectedness of societies and the capacity of some groups to destroy, could wreak havoc on global systems.

WHEN: Wednesday, December 4, 2002
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Marvin Center Grand Ballroom, 3rd Floor
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C.

COST: The lecture is free and open to the public.

Background:

Thomas Homer-Dixon’s research has focused on the threats to global security and how societies adapt to complex economic, ecological and technological change. His highly interdisciplinary work draws on political science, economics, environmental studies, geography, cognitive science, social psychology and complex systems theory.

In his latest book, *The Ingenuity Gap*, Homer-Dixon explored the critical gap between our need for practical and innovative ideas to solve our complex problems and our actual supply of those ideas. His lecture will address his latest work on the theory of “synchronous failure,” or the simultaneous breakdown of social systems on a global scale. He says we tend to “silo” our challenges or problems – from climate change to international economic instability to terrorism – in isolation and not see the links among them. He will identify and discuss what he perceives as the “tectonic stresses,” which include population growth, dislocation and financial instability. Combined with what he terms the “two multipliers,” the interconnectedness of societies and the capacity of groups to destroy these potential stresses could wreak havoc on global systems.

Homer-Dixon is the director of the Center for the Study of Peace and Conflict and associate professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto. His website is www.homerdixon.com/.

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